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## Idaho Milk Production Up 5.0 Percent

Idaho milk production during May 2002 totaled 699 million pounds, up 5.0 percent from the same month last year and 5.1 percent more than April 2002. If realized, this would be the smallest production increase from the previous year since September 1993. Revised production for April 2002 totaled 665 million pounds, up slightly from the preliminary estimate, but 6.2 percent above April 2001.

Average milk production per cow in May 2002 was 1,820 pounds, 10 pounds less than May 2001, but 80 pounds above April 2002. The average number of milk cows in May was 384,000 head, 20,000 more than in May 2001 and up 2,000 head from last month.

Nationally, May milk production in the 20 major States totaled 13.0 billion pounds, up 3.2 percent from production in these same States in May 2001. April revised production, at 12.6 billion pounds, was up 3.3 percent from April 2001. Production per cow in the 20 major States averaged 1,681 pounds for May, 49 pounds above May 2001. The number of milk cows on farms in the 20 major States was 7.76 million head, 14,000 head more than May 2001, and 9,000 head more than April 2002.

### ***Milk Production, Average Number of Cows, Selected States, May 2001-2002***

State	Milk Cows 1/		Milk Per Cow 2/		Milk Production 2/		2002 As Percent of 2001
	2001	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002	
	<i>1,000 Head</i>		<i>Pounds</i>		<i>Million Pounds</i>		
Arizona	140	140	1,850	2,050	259	287	111
California	1,582	1,641	1,825	1,860	2,887	3,052	106
Florida	154	151	1,515	1,510	233	228	98
<b>IDAHO</b>	<b>364</b>	<b>384</b>	<b>1,830</b>	<b>1,820</b>	<b>666</b>	<b>699</b>	<b>105</b>
Illinois	116	115	1,610	1,630	187	187	100
Indiana	152	152	1,490	1,550	226	236	104
Iowa	211	209	1,610	1,630	340	341	100
Kentucky	129	123	1,200	1,250	155	154	99
Michigan	304	298	1,700	1,745	517	520	101
Minnesota	515	490	1,525	1,550	785	760	97
Missouri	148	137	1,255	1,315	186	180	97
New Mexico	261	296	1,870	1,910	488	565	116
New York	673	680	1,540	1,630	1,036	1,108	107
Ohio	261	261	1,470	1,540	384	402	105
Pennsylvania	599	580	1,600	1,650	958	957	100
Texas	329	310	1,450	1,565	477	485	102
Vermont	152	154	1,545	1,565	235	241	103
Virginia	118	120	1,415	1,450	167	174	104
Washington	246	247	1,950	2,000	480	494	103
Wisconsin	1,295	1,275	1,530	1,550	1,981	1,976	100
<b>20 STATE TOTAL</b>	<b>7,749</b>	<b>7,763</b>	<b>1,632</b>	<b>1,681</b>	<b>12,647</b>	<b>13,046</b>	<b>103</b>

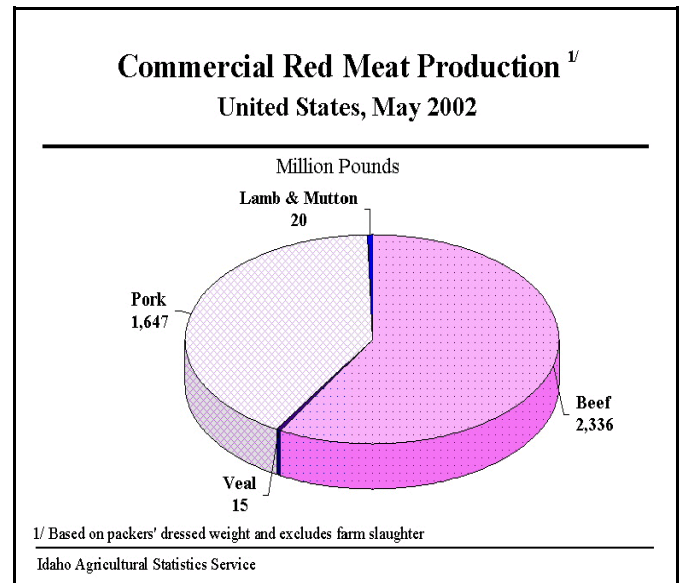
1/ Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh. 2/ Excludes milk sucked by calves.

## Idaho Red Meat Production Down 9 Percent

Commercial red meat production at Idaho packing plants for May 2002 totaled 50.6 million pounds, down 9 percent from last year. May production was up 4 percent from April's 48.7 million pounds. Accumulated red meat production for the January-May 2002 period totaled 245 million pounds, down 2 percent from the comparable period a year earlier.

Red meat production for the United States totaled 4.02 billion pounds in May, up 4 percent from the 3.88 billion pounds produced in May 2001 and a new record high for May. Beef production, at 2.34 billion pounds, was 2 percent above the previous year and a new record high for May. Cattle slaughter totaled 3.15 million head, down 2 percent from May 2001. The average live weight was 1,223 pounds, up 39 pounds from the previous year. Pork production totaled 1.65 billion pounds, up 6 percent from the previous year and a new record high for May. Hog kill totaled 8.33 million head, 5 percent above May 2001. The average live weight was 3 pounds above the previous year, at 267 pounds. Lamb and mutton production, at 19.5 million pounds, was up 16 percent from May 2001. Sheep slaughter totaled 284,100 head, 19 percent above last year. The average live weight was 138 pounds, down 3 pounds from May a year ago.

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January - May red meat production was 19.2 billion pounds, up

## Commercial Red Meat Production, Selected States and United States<sup>1/</sup>

State	May 2001	April 2002	May 2002	May 2002 as percent of <sup>2/</sup>	
				May 2001	April 2002
	Million Pounds			Percent	
California	93.6	112.1	118.7	127	106
Colorado	194.3	176.7	183.7	95	104
<b>IDAHO</b>	<b>55.7</b>	<b>48.7</b>	<b>50.6</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>104</b>
Illinois	226.6	214.8	218.5	96	102
Iowa	469.6	528.3	523.5	111	99
Kansas	478.4	474.1	509.2	106	107
Minnesota	166.7	185.2	189.5	114	102
Montana	1.3	1.5	1.6	121	104
Nebraska	626.7	611.1	637.7	102	104
Nevada	0.1	0.1	0.1	89	131
Oklahoma	84.8	83.1	76.3	90	92
Oregon	3.8	3.8	3.7	96	96
South Dakota	80.5	76.4	77.3	96	101
Texas	428.8	405.1	454.0	106	112
Utah	43.4	42.4	44.5	103	105
Washington	63.6	47.3	52.5	82	111
Wyoming	0.4	0.4	0.4	111	91
<b>UNITED STATES</b>	<b>3,881.7</b>	<b>3,901.9</b>	<b>4,017.9</b>	<b>104</b>	<b>103</b>

<sup>1/</sup> Includes total beef, veal, pork, lamb, and mutton. <sup>2/</sup> Percentages based on unrounded data.

## All Cattle in Idaho: Top Twelve Counties

Counties	January 1, 2001	Counties	January 1, 2002
	Head		Head
Jerome	169,500	Gooding	172,000
Cassia	168,500	Cassia	163,000
Gooding	162,500	Jerome	154,000
Elmore	141,500	Elmore	137,500
Twin Falls	123,500	Canyon	134,000
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Owyhee	109,000	Owyhee	116,000
Bingham	83,500	Bingham	80,500
Ada	69,500	Ada	69,500
Jefferson	68,500	Jefferson	66,000
Payette	55,000	Payette	59,500
Lemhi	47,500	Lemhi	50,000

## Idaho Cattle On Feed Down 3 Percent

Cattle on feed for the slaughter market in Idaho from feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head on June 1, 2002 totaled 310,000 head, down 3 percent from the June 1, 2001 inventory. The inventory was down 2 percent from the number on hand as of May 1, 2002.

Placements of cattle into State feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head during May totaled 64,000 head, up 7,000 head from May 2001 placements. Marketings during May totaled 68,000 head, up 4,000 from May 2001 marketings.

Cattle and calves on feed for the slaughter market in the United States from feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 10.9 million head on June 1, 2002. The inventory was 3 percent below June 1, 2001 and slightly below June 1, 2000. Placements in feedlots during May totaled 2.23 million, 6 percent below 2001 and 3 percent below 2000. Net placements were 2.16 million. During May, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 350,000, 600-699 pounds were 434,000, 700-799 pounds were 744,000, and 800 pounds and greater were 699,000. Marketings of fed cattle during May totaled 2.17 million, 1 percent below 2001 and slightly below 2000. Other disappearance totaled 72,000 during May, 29 percent below 2001 and 37 percent below 2000.

## *Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots<sup>1/</sup>*

State	June 1, 2001	May 1, 2002	June 1, 2002		
			Number	As % of 2001	As % of May
	---1,000 Head---		---Percent---		
Arizona	305	304	299	98	98
California	450	480	485	108	101
Colorado	1,160	1,080	1,090	94	101
<b>Idaho</b>	<b>320</b>	<b>315</b>	<b>310</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>98</b>
Iowa	365	385	375	103	97
Kansas	2,400	2,270	2,240	93	99
Nebraska	2,090	2,170	2,060	99	95
New Mexico	81	*97	96	119	99
Oklahoma	375	340	340	91	100
South Dakota	200	215	205	103	95
Texas	2,890	2,700	2,870	99	106
Washington	244	215	200	82	93
Other States	365	380	370	101	97
<b>United States</b>	<b>11,245</b>	<b>*10,951</b>	<b>10,940</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>100</b>

<sup>1/</sup>Cattle and calves on feed are animals for slaughter market being fed a ration of grain or other concentrates and are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better. \*Revised.

## Frozen Potato Stocks Down 7 Percent

Frozen stocks of french fries in the United States on May 31, 2002, totaled 913 million pounds, a 5 percent decrease from April 30, 2002, and down 10 percent from May 31, 2001. Other frozen potatoes, at 269 million pounds, increased 4 percent from April stocks and increased 6 percent from last year.

United States stocks of butter on May 31, 2002, totaled 230 million pounds, up 15 percent from the end of the previous month, and up 67 percent from May 31, 2001. Of this 230 million pounds, the government owned 2.26 million pounds. Stocks of American cheese totaled 529 million pounds, up 4 percent from April 30, 2002. The government owned a total of 692,000 pounds.

Commodity	May 31, 2001	April 30, 2002	May 31, 2002	2002
				2001
	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>			<i>Percent</i>
POTATOES				
French Fries	1,016,976	964,594	912,739	90
Other Frozen	253,299	258,182	269,092	106
TOTAL	1,270,275	1,222,776	1,181,831	93
DAIRY				
Butter	138,022	199,157	229,950	167
(Govt. Owned)	653	2,063	2,260	346
Natural Cheese American, Total	497,400	508,216	529,045	106
(Govt. Owned)	1,741	626	692	40